

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group Art Unit: 1651
Examiner: Herbert Lilling

In Re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Applicants : Kohei ODA, et al.)
Appln. No. : 09/353,445)
Filed : July 14, 1999)
For : A METHOD FOR DECOMPOSING POLYESTERS)
CONTAINING AROMATIC MOIETIES, A DENIER)
REDUCTION METHOD OF FIBER, AND)
MICROORGANISMS HAVING ACTIVITY OF)
DECOMPOSING THE POLYESTER)
Atty. Dkt. : 32290-149710)

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Submitted herewith in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.808(a)(2) are two Declarations, signed by the inventors, that state that all restrictions placed on the deposit of strains FERM BP-6444 and FERM BP 6445 deposited under the Budapest Treaty will be irrevocably removed upon the issuance of a patent.

It is believed that no fee is due for the submission of this Request. However, if such fees are deemed necessary, please charge said fees to our Deposit Account No. 22-0261.

Respectfully submitted,



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